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BREVARD COUNTY MAN INDICTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY PRODUCTION CHARGES

Orlando, Florida - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces the unsealing of an indictment charging Adam Lee Brigham (age 26, of Valkaria, Florida) with four counts of production of child pornography. If convicted, Brigham faces up to 30 years in federal prison on each count. The indictment also notifies Brigham that the United States intends to seek forfeiture of assets allegedly traceable to the offense.

According to the indictment, on January 19, January 21, February 1 and February 23, 2010, Brigham caused a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct to produce child pornography. During Brigham's detention hearing today, the court was notified that Brigham has been a leader with the Boy Scouts in Brevard County.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Carlos Perez.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of

child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The investigation that led to this case was part of Operation Predator, a nationwide ICE initiative to identify, investigate, and arrest those who prey on children, including human traffickers, international sex tourists, Internet pornographers, and foreign-national predators whose crimes make them deportable. Launched in July 2003, ICE agents have arrested more than 12,800 individuals through Operation Predator. ICE encourages the public to report suspected child predators and any suspicious activity through its toll-free hotline at 1-866-347-2423. This hotline is staffed around the clock by investigators. Suspected child sexual exploitation or missing children may be reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, an Operation Predator partner, at 1-800-843-5678 or <http://www.cybertipline.com>.